



Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Advisory Council Meeting

AGENDA

June 10, 2022

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Keith Boylan, Co-Chair CalVet
Rene Cota, Co-Chair Member
Rebecca Aguilera-Gardiner, Member
Keli Benham-Anthis, Member
Bobby McDonald, Member
Cole Woodman, Member

Daniel Bates, CalVet
Roberto Herrera, CalVet
Jamie Jones, CalVet
Sharee Nuez, CalVet
Joshua Zebley, CalVet
Michael Aguillo, DGS
Anda Draghici, DGS
Danetta Jackson, DGS
Demeshia Swanson, DGS

9:00am – 9:10am	CalVet Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">DVBE Advisory Council Timeline	Keith Boylan, CalVet
9:10am – 9:25am	Department of General Services (DGS) Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">Office of Small Business and DVBE Services (OSDS) UpdateOSDS Outreach Events	Anda Draghici, DGS Michael Aguillo, DGS
9:25am - 9:45am	New Fi\$Cal PO Payment Tool	Anda Draghici, DGS
9:45am -9:55am	DVBE Request for Response (R4R) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Report	Sharee Nuez, CalVet
9:55am – 10:00am	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none">Next meeting agenda topics	Discussion
	Adjournment	

Any questions please contact:
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Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

- Rebecca Aguilera-Gardiner
- Michael Aguilio
- Daniel Bates
- Keli Benham-Anthem
- Keith Boylan
- Rene Cota
- Anda Draghici
- Roberto Herrera
- Bobby McDonald
- Jamie Jones
- Sharee Nuez
- Cole Woodman

Call to Order 9:00am, Keith Boylan

CalVet Update

Keith Boylan, CalVet

- DVBE Advisory Council Timeline
 - 90-days prior to the end of term: June 6, 2022
 - Last Council meeting of current Council: August 12, 2022
 - Final day of term: September 4, 2022
 - Application Release: July 5, 2022
 - Application Deadline: August 1, 2022

DGS, OSDS Update

Anda Draghici, DGS

Michael Aguilio, DGS

- Upcoming Solicitations will be sent via separate email
- Increase in the Small Business size standards based on the Gross Annual Receipts
 - Current sizes are:
 - \$15million Small Business
 - \$5 million Microbusiness
 - \$36 million Small Business for Public Work
 - DGS is required by law to conduct an annual review using the California Consumer Price Index. The review has been concluded and as a result of the unprecedented inflation and Consumer Price Index the adjustment resulted in an increase
 - Small Business will go from \$15 million to \$16 million
 - Small Business for Public Works will go from \$36 million to \$37 million with the subsequent increase as of January 1, 2023 to \$38 million
 - The approach was modified to reflect the economy
 - Microbusiness will remain the same at \$5 million

- In line with the Small business sentiment of staying true to form of the definition of a Microbusiness
 - Communication was sent out at the end of May, in addition to a 'Frequently Asked Questions' information sheet published to the DGS-OSDS website
- Certification processing time
 - Due to Covid-19, there were extensions on certifications that were granted throughout 2021 there is now a surge in renewals
 - Current wait for processing is 4-6 weeks
 - For those that are required to complete an in-house review
 - To alleviate the processing time, DGS is granting a short-term extension of 2 months for all current applications being submitted
- Emergency Registry Portal
 - Currently at 640 registered suppliers and 268 State Buyers
 - Self-registered process to inform the State that they are present and able to provide goods and services in times of emergency
 - Data indicates that \$10 Million in contracts were awarded to those that were registered on the Emergency Registry Portal by awarding Departments that are utilizing the tool
 - Dashboards are being developed for more information
- GO-Biz partnership
 - MOU is currently being reviewed between GO-Biz and DGS
 - MOU is a result of AB 1574 which requires an interagency collaboration between DGS, CalVet, and GO-Biz
- Voluntary Supplier Diversity Data Collection launch
 - Located in the Cal eProcure 'Work Center' profile options
 - You now have the ability to add demographic information regarding the ownership of your firm as it relates to ethnicity, race, gender identity, and sexual orientation
 - This is voluntary and not a required field to complete
 - The purpose is to assist the State report and identify where they need to increase their outreach efforts and ensure representation
 - Will not result in a preference in light of Proposition 209, this is only for information gathering purposes
- DGS Strategic Goal of providing deep-level technical assistance training to Small Businesses and DVBEs
 - Currently developing training, subjects to include;
 - How to market your business
 - What is CUF (Commercial Use Function)
 - More information to come
- Upcoming Events
 - 6/14: Marin Clean Energy Organization (virtual)
 - San Diego County & Imperial County PTAC: Meet the Buyers event
 - DGS workshop: 'How to do business with the State'
 - 6/15: Elite SDVOB Network
 - DGS workshop: 'I'm Certified Now What? Workshop'
 - Golden Gate Business Association along with the Bay Area LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce hosting GGBDA Power Connect
 - DGS hosting a booth
 - Voice of the Youth, Inc.
 - Business Pitch Presentation: young-black entrepreneurs will be pitching their new businesses

- University of California Riverside
 - DVBE information session
- Webpage: <https://www.dgs.ca.gov/PD/Events>

New Fi\$Cal PO Payment Tool
Anda Draghici, DGS

- Prompt Payment Act
 - The Prompt Payment Act requires “state agencies pay properly submitted, undisputed invoices, refunds, or other undisputed payments due to individuals within 45 days of receipt or notification thereof, or automatically calculate and pay the appropriate late payment penalties as specified in this chapter.
(Chapter 4.5, sections 927-927.13 of the Government Code)
- Functionality Benefits
 - Transparency
 - Public Information
 - Suppliers and Sub-Contractors can track payment dates
 - Compliance
 - Sub-Contractors have proof of payments from the department to a prime
 - Departments can track Purchase Orders (PO) to Payment History for Prompt Payment
 - Customer Satisfaction
 - Assistance with timely and accountable payments
 - Accessible on Cal eProcure (public site), as applicable
 - Provides a summary and detailed report of all sub-contracting, invoice, and payment information
- Live Demonstration
 - Information link provided on Cal eProcure
 - It can be accessed by clicking the ‘Find Public Procurement Information’ tile, and select “Fi\$Cal Purchase Order Payment History”
 - A tutorial can also be found on the same webpage
 - Webpage: <https://caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/index.aspx>

DVBE Request for Response (R4R) Report
Sharee Nuez, CalVet

- Report
 - Respondents: 70
 - Certified DVBE’s completed survey: 37
 - Top Counties with the most respondents
 - Los Angeles (17%)
 - San Diego (13%)
 - Orange, Riverside, and Solano (9%)
 - Top 5 Reasons for Completing R4R
 - Request for DVBE Information (72%)
 - Veteran Benefits (57%)
 - Entrepreneurship Information (52%)
 - Business Mentorship (49%)
 - Contracting with the State of California (49%)

Open Discussion

- SB 1478: Disabled veteran business enterprises (Archuleta)

Next meeting agenda topics

- DGS updates
- R4R report

Adjournment